

The second item on the agenda was a presentation by staff on the proposed expansion of the use of Cable Channel 3. City Manager Patterson explained that this issue was discussed by Council during the strategic planning process as one way of improving the City's ability to communicate with the public. Fleur Tremel, Special Projects Coordinator in the City Manager's Office, presented 3 options for Council consideration. Council indicated support for testing the public's support for the expanded use of the Government and Education Channel and agreed to move forward with Option 1, which would involve contracting the production of additional programming for the channel with a private organization. This option is estimated to cost \$50,000 for the first year, and could be funded from Council Goals. Staff will proceed to develop an request for professional services to support the project.

City Manager Patterson presented an update to the Council on the proposal to develop a conference center in Downtown Casper. He reviewed the history of the project, and discussed the estimated costs and funding sources that have been identified. Council questioned the estimated cost figures for the project, and noted the lack of public support for spending tax dollars to bring a new conference center and hotel to Downtown Casper.

Councilman Powell reported on meetings attended for the Leisure Services Advisory Board, the Downtown Development Authority, and the consideration of request for proposals by the golf course irrigation system design team. He noted that the demand for the City's recreational facilities is up, and all of the user groups are feeling the pressure to maintain their access. The Downtown Development Authority is working on the branding project, and will be seeking State funding to support this project.

Mayor Schlager announced that there was a vacancy on the Amoco Reuse Agreement Joint Powers Board. Council decided that they should ask the current Board members if they had someone they would recommend.


At 7:45 p.m., it was moved by Councilman Hopkins, seconded by Councilman Meyer, to adjourn into executive session to discuss property acquisition and potential litigation. Motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Hedquist excused himself from the meeting at 9:15 p.m.


At 9:35 p.m., it was moved by Councilman Bertoglio, seconded by Councilman Meyer, to adjourn the executive session and work session. Motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

CITY OF CASPER, WYOMING
A Municipal Corporation



V. H. McDonald
City Clerk



Kenyne Schlager
Mayor

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, January 28, 2013, 4:00 p.m.
Casper City Hall
Council Chambers

AGENDA

1. ROLL CALL.

2. ORDINANCE:

A. First Reading:

1. An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 31-12 of the City of Casper, Wyoming, Changing the Series Designation of the \$3,930,000 City of Casper, Wyoming, Taxable Industrial Development Revenue Bond (Parkway Plaza Properties, Inc., Project), and Providing Other Details in Connection Therewith.

3. RESOLUTIONS:

- A. Authorizing Option to Purchase Real Property from Arlene, LLC, in the Amount of \$650,000.
1. Deb Cheatham.
 2. Janel Moore.
 3. Joe DePaul.
- B. Authorizing Mayor to Execute State Small Business Credit Initiative/Laramie Consortium of Participating Municipalities December 31, 2012, Certification on Use-of-Allocated Funds.

4. ADJOURNMENT.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
January 28, 2013

Casper City Council met in special session at 4:00 p.m., Monday, January 28, 2013.
Present: Councilmen Bertoglio, Cathey, Goodenough, Hedquist, Hopkins, Meyer, Powell, Sandoval and Mayor Schlager.

Following ordinance read:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 31-12 OF THE CITY OF CASPER, WYOMING; CHANGING THE SERIES DESIGNATION OF THE \$3,930,000 CITY OF CASPER, WYOMING, TAXABLE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BOND (PARKWAY PLAZA PROPERTIES, INC. PROJECT); AND PROVIDING OTHER DETAILS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

Councilman Hopkins presented the foregoing ordinance for approval, on first reading.
Seconded by Councilman Powell.

City Manager Patterson provided a brief report.

All voted aye to the motion to approve, on first reading, the ordinance pertaining to the Parkway Plaza industrial development revenue bonds, except Councilman Meyer who voted nay.
Passed.

A discussion relating to the conference center project then ensued, with a majority of the Council stating that staff should proceed with the downtown site. Staff is to bring back the two studies, and the request for proposals for discussion.

Following resolution read:

RESOLUTION NO. 13-15

A RESOLUTION EXERCISING AN OPTION TO PURCHASE REAL PROPERTY AS DESCRIBED AND SET FORTH IN AN "EXCLUSIVE REAL ESTATE PURCHASE OPTION AGREEMENT" DATED JULY 31, 2012 BETWEEN ARLENE, LLC AND THE CITY OF CASPER, WYOMING.

Councilman Bertoglio presented the foregoing resolution for adoption. Seconded by Councilman Meyer.

City Manager Patterson provided a brief report.

Deb Cheatham, 120 East 15th Street; Janel Moore, 161 Indian Paintbrush; and, Joe DePaul, 1818 East Yellowstone Highway spoke in opposition to the conference center project.

After a discussion amongst Council members, a vote on the motion to adopt the resolution resulted in all ayes, except Councilmen Hedquist, Goodenough, Sandoval and Cathey who voted nay. Passed.

Following resolution read:

RESOLUTION NO. 13-16

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE STATE SMALL BUSINESS CREDIT INITIATIVE/LARAMIE CONSORTIUM OF PARTICIPATING MUNICIPALITIES DECEMBER 31, 2012 CERTIFICATION ON USE-OF-ALLOCATED FUNDS.

Councilman Bertoglio presented the foregoing resolution for adoption. Seconded by Councilman Meyer.

City Manager Patterson provided a brief report.

All voted aye to the motion to adopt the resolution pertaining to the State Small Business Credit Initiative, except Councilman Goodenough who voted nay. Passed.


Councilmen Sandoval, Hedquist, Powell, Cathey and Hopkins reported on recent meetings they had attended. Mayor Schlager also reported on her recent interaction with the Wyoming State Legislature.

Moved by Councilman Sandoval, seconded by Councilman Hedquist, to, by minute action, adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.

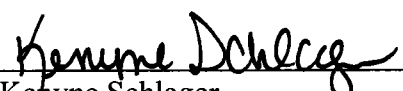
The meeting was adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

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